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TO: Honorable Todd Staples, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB129 by Barrientos (Relating to certain exceptions to the requirement that the operator of a motor vehicle operated on a turnpike project pay the proper toll or the full amount of the toll.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would except authorized emergency vehicles, a school bus transporting students to or from a public school, or a vehicle owned or operated by a public transit agency from the requirement to pay a toll on a toll road operated by a regional mobility authority (RMA). In addition, the RMA would be authorized to either waive or reduce the toll for vehicles owned or operated by a public transit authority.

Local Government Impact

An RMA would receive less revenue as a result of implementation of the provisions of the bill; however, that amount is not expected to be significant. Conversely, local governments that operate emergency vehicles, school districts, and public transit agencies and authorities would experience a corresponding savings as a result of not having to pay the toll.

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